

# **Weekly Flu Surveillance Report**

2019/2020 Flu Season

## Timeframe: 05/10-05/16/2020

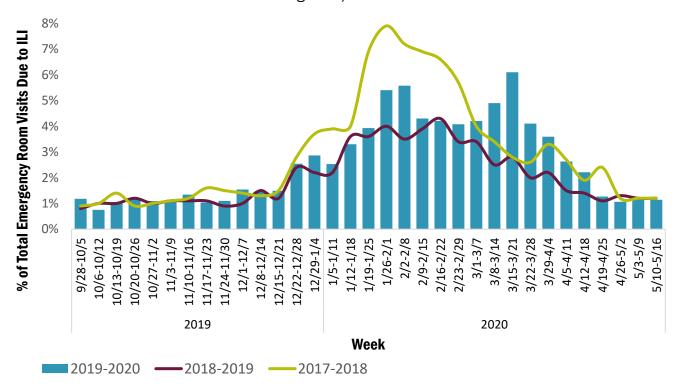
 Geographic spread has been changed to "sporadic" because of a number of flu B positive results reported.



## **Syndromic Surveillance**

### **Vermont Emergency Room and Urgent Care Visits for Influenza-like Illness**

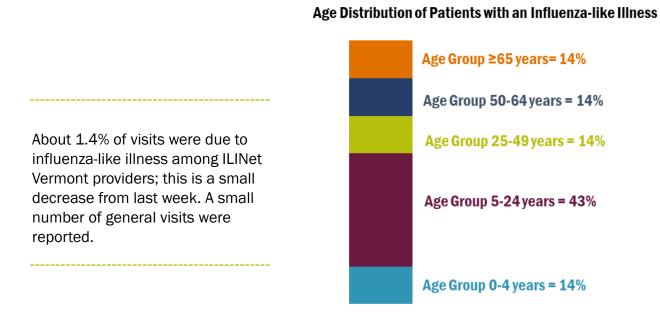
Influenza-like illness = fever and cough and/or sore throat



<sup>\*</sup>Geographic spread: estimated level of geographic spread of influenza activity in the state. This level does not measure the severity of influenza activity. States report geographic spread of influenza activity as no activity, sporadic, local, regional, or widespread.

#### **ILINet Sentinel Provider Data**

This surveillance data is based upon reports submitted by ILINet - a nationwide group of medical offices that act as influenza sentinels. Sentinel providers report the number of patients with an influenza-like illness (ILI) seen by their practices each week.



## **Laboratory Data**

The **Health Department Lab** preforms subtype testing to determine the type of flu for example H3, H1N1, etc. This information helps determine the circulating virus strains.

Type and Subtype	This week: 5/10-5/16/20	Season so far: 9/29/19-5/16/20
Flu A H3	0	32
Flu A H1N1	0	84
Flu B	0	34

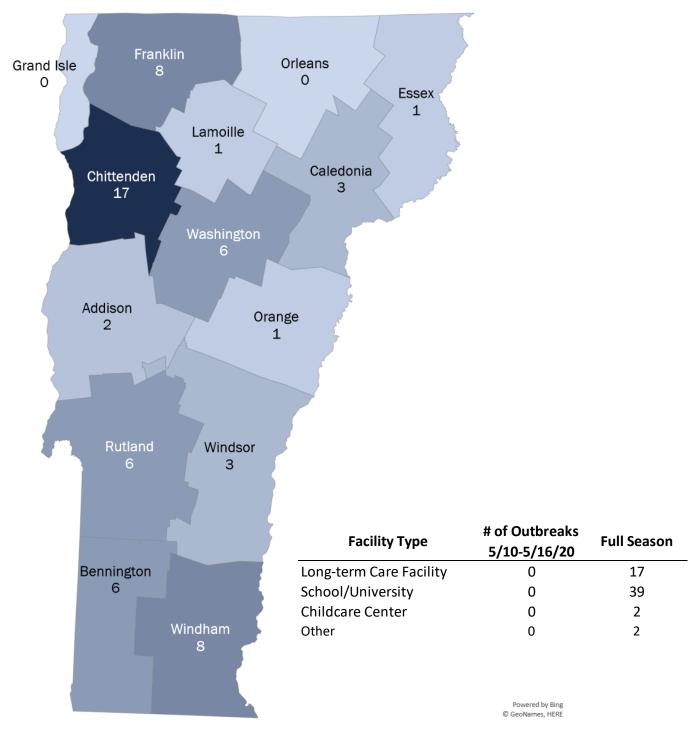
The **National Respiratory and Enteric Virus Surveillance System** collects data on the number of PCR flu tests performed by participating Vermont labs and how many were positive. This helps determine flu activity in the community.

3% of flu PCR tests that were run this week were positive. All were flu B positive.

## **Reported Outbreaks**

Institutional outbreaks of flu or influenza-like illness are reportable to the Health Department.

## Number of Influenza-like Illness and Influenza Lab Confirmed Outbreaks, 9/29/19 - 5/16/20



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